December 3, 1969

Dear Harold,

Your mailings of 11/22, 25, and 29 received.
Your letter of 11/21: I would like to see what you have, and both JNS and I have promised total secrecy.
Haven't gotten the Curry book yet; have ordered it. Will go over it for CE's as you suggest.
The British version of the Penkovsky Papers does sound identical to the Doubleday edition and I see no need to go over it. I could not find 'Front of the Secret War' by Tsibov and Cjistyakov or anything like it, in the library or in the Union catalog.

FBI D-57, the Pedro Charles letter. Have passed this on to Hal. Jim thinks there is also something on this in the volumes. Appears similar in intent to the story of "D", WR 308-9.

Thanks for the Farrell pages from CD 7. (No need to send me the other Hunt pages unless there is something unusual.) We have gotten a few other pages from the withheld part of CD 7 in the past, by asking for name files. Chronology (from Jim's correspondence) is as follows: on May 9, 1968, we were told that in CD 7, pages 114-6, 328, 329, 361, 413, 416-7, 481-2, and 494-777 were withheld. On November 26, 1968, we asked for any pages on James Robert REED or Tommy JOHNSON, and got CD 7, pp. 615-7 and 637-9. (Would you or Gary like copies?) On August 12, 1969, we asked for pages on Csala or James Shock, and were told that CD 7, p. 530, 654-7 are involved, but withheld. So, at best we cannot consistently get such pages in this way. It may mean nothing, but we have never gotten withheld pages from any other CD like this. It is possible that the list of withheld pages has been revised and doesn't include the whole block 494-777. (We pointed out that some were published, and were told (May 20, 1968) that "the pages from CE 1813-5 are available for research, and we will send you copies of them should you so desire (thanks loads). The unpublished pages from 494 to 777 in CD 7 are withheld from research at the request of the FBI.") As for content, these pages appear to be typical nut stuff, by and large; in many cases other pages on the same people are available in later CD's, so I am not really inclined to ask for lots from the name files. If they have slipped a couple of times, fine, but we can't expect it, since it is so easy to check pages against the list which they did send me. I suggest you ask which pages from CD 7 are withheld, and perhaps ask for some of the ones we have, to get a record of refusal. (Incidentally, we have confirmed that the name and subject files do include copies of the withheld material, which is removed before the files are made available. Eckhoff to JNS, 6/5/69) You could add pp. 615-7 and 637-9 to your suit.

Davison's Atlanta phone numbers are in my first memo; if I didn't send that, they are 688-1918 (office, 478 Peachtree); 237-4465 (2634 Sharondle Dr.); if no answer dial 874-1666. Mother is 233-0336, still 4047 Tuxedo Rd. I will send SS 515 when I get more of it. I have asked for CD 966.

Your note of 11/29 on CD 1349: Fiallo was T-2's source, not T-2; he may have been T-1 but from Fiallo's story and the fact that DeB was trying to get him to keep an eye on Pena, I doubt that he was T-1. Surprising that DeB got the word from both T-1 and T-2 on the same day. (Oct. 9 letter)

Your letters to JD - I don't have the original requests, so I don't know what specifically you asked for. They are on weak grounds on the memo of transfer, since the section of the law which they quote refers to "personnel and medical files and similar files" and the AG's blue pamphlet interprets this latter as "all private or personal <u>information</u> contained in other files" (my emphasis; p. 36). If that is the best they should do, you should have them. On the "investigative files," I would think that your strongest case would be based on the special status of the WC files, documents on which I sent you some time ago. That is, the "guidelines" were set up to be less restrictive than the usual policy. I assume you and Bud are using these documents, at least as statements of policy if they have no legal force. On my outstanding JD request: I am told that Rolapp is unable to locate my original form; he asked for a copy and promises "an immediate decision." (That seems to mean they have already decided to deny it.)

Enclosed: Dawnay article from Penthouse, and cover letter for CD 498, with

notation "Mr. Specter has" for SS 1221, which is CE 391. There should be a cover memo of some sort for this SS item; it's worth asking Simmons to look around a bit for it. Also, Specter's letter file for shortly before this date may have a request for this supplemental report.

Hal has finished the COUP addition and is sending you his comments. I will send the manuscript to Gary as soon as Jim finishes with it. (I assume Gary is still at the usual address and getting what I have sent him. I haven't heard from him for a while.) I found a second copy of Brener's book at 1/3 off (reviewer's copy) and will send it to you when JNS has read it (by slow mail, unless you specify otherwise). I find it quite persuasive as a case against Garrison; a lot of it is generally consistent with what I know about how his mind works.

FBI item 441 relates to Oswald's printing of FPCC literature; i.e., it suggests that he did it or was at least in on it. Do you have this item?

Sincerely,

Paul

cc: GRS